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ON WITH THE DANCE !

Once again we eagerly anticipate our Annual Supper Dance. It is being held this year at the Eaton Auditorium. Miss Rose McQuaid is the convener, assisted by Miss Helen Thompson.

The committee includes Misses Gladys Coulter, Helen Watman, Margaret Lee, Yvonne Fitzgibbons and Katherine Sheedy. We will have with us again "The Musical Host from the Coast," Mr. Bob Lyon, and his ever-popular "Serenade in Blue." An added feature is the charming vocalist, Miss Alice Stephens.

Supper will be served at 12. Make your plans early and be sure to reserve your tables well in advance.

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ALUMNÆ MEETINGS

The annual meeting of the Alumnæ of St. Michael's Hospital was held in the Nurses' Residence on Tuesday, March 15th, 1938.

The following officers were elected :—

Honorary President	Sister M. Norine
Honorary Vice-President	Sister M. Jeanne
President	Miss Helen Hyland
1st Vice-President	Miss Rosella Grogan
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Councillors—Miss M. Brennan	Mrs. G. Snell

Miss M. Hughes

Miss M. Berger

Nurse Education Miss Mary McDonald

June 20th

At the quarterly meeting Miss Spearman, Inspector of Libraries for the Board of Education, gave a very interesting talk on the latest books. Miss Crocker described the Building Fund of the Central Registry. Nurses resigning after 25 consecutive years on the Registry are to receive a gratuity on retirement.

Miss Riordan gave a detailed account of the annual meeting of the R.N.A.O., held in Kingston on April 20, 21, 22, which she attended as representative of our Alumnæ.

Miss VanLane sent in her resignation as editor of the Alumnæ News Bulletin.

Miss Grace Murphy's name was drawn for the attendance prize, but it was forfeited, as she was not present.

October 4th

At this meeting Mrs. Frye, B.A., Assistant Inspector (Art Gallery), gave an interesting talk (with slides) on Canadian Art in the last hundred years. The Suggestions Box and Constructive Criticism was discussed.

Miss Grace Murphy discussed "A Recommendation for Clinical Lectures and Demonstrations," to be given for nurses (similar to the course given for doctors). It would be a three-day course.

It was also suggested that the speakers be not all confined to our own staff.

Miss Grace Murphy was appointed to get information regarding the registration of our Hospital in New York.

Miss G. McDuff forfeited attendance prize, because of her absence.

Refreshments were served. Attendance 102.

GRADUATION

The forty-fourth annual graduation exercises of St. Michael's Hospital School of Nursing were held on Wednesday, May 18th, at St. Joseph's College School Auditorium on Breadalbane St.

Mother Nature was the first to pay homage to the graduates by her gift of an ideal day. Activities began in the lovely new Chapel at 6 a.m.

The Intermediate and Junior nurses had the pleasure of surprising the graduating class with the Missa Recitata.

After Mass, breakfast was served in the lecture hall, prettily decorated with the school colours. Each graduate found at her place a red leather case for her registration card.

The afternoon exercises began at 4 p.m. On the stage were seated the 1938 class—forty-seven in number—looking very trim and professional, holding red roses and lounardia tied with red and white ribbon.

The Honorary Chairman for the occasion was His Excellency, Most Reverend James C. McGuigan, D.D., Archbishop of Toronto. The Chairman, Doctor Julian Loudon, gave the opening address.

After a piano selection by the Misses Muriel and Lucy Reuben, there followed the presentation of diplomas and medals.

Scholarships and prizes were won by the following:—

Scholarship for One Year's Post Graduate Work in Public Health Nursing, given by the Women's Auxiliary of St. Michael's Hospital—Miss Rita Marie Wiggins, Hamilton, Ont.

Scholarship for Post Graduate Work, given by the Alumnæ Association of St. Michael's Hospital—Miss Phyllis Elinor Harding, Toronto.

Highest Standing in Obstetrical Nursing, given by Doctor D'Arcy Frawley—Miss Dorothy Marsella Young, Peterboro, Ont.

The Doctor Gideon Silverthorne Memorial Prize, for Proficiency in Surgical Nursing and Operating Room Technique—Miss Mary Isabelle Ennis, Toronto.

The Doctor R. J. Dwyer Memorial Prize, given by Doctor J. Loudon for General Proficiency—Miss Helen Theresa Heffernan, Athens, Ont.

Highest Standing in Practical Nursing, given by Doctor George Wilson—Senior Class, Miss Laura Emma Tobey, Tara, Ont.; Intermediate Class, Miss Lidia Orlando, Toronto; Junior Class, Miss Anne Hickey, Mount Irwin, Ont.

Proficiency in Emergencies and Surgical Nursing, given by Doctor J. W. Ross and Doctor J. Daly—Miss Marguerite Ruby Jeeves, Victoria, B.C.

Efficiency in Bedside Nursing, given by Mr. J. F. Hughes, K.C., LL.D.—Miss Margaret E. Macdonell, Toronto.

Efficiency in Urological Nursing, given by Doctor G. S. Foulds—Miss Elizabeth Dunn, Orillia, Ont.

The address to the graduates was delivered by Reverend Gregory F. Kelly, rector of St. Michael's Cathedral.

Father Kelly, in addressing the class, impressed his listeners with the fact that nurses had more opportunities of reaching the hearts and minds of the people than had any other profession. Therefore he exhorted them to sympathetic understanding and helpfulness.

A reception was held immediately after the exercises.

A series of social functions was held for the graduating class both before and after graduation.

On May 11th they were entertained at the Granite Club by the Alumnæ Association.

On the evening of May 30th they were guests of the Women's Auxiliary of St. Michael's Hospital, at the Oak Room, King Edward Hotel.

And the Catholic Nurses' Guild Garden Party, scheduled for the beautiful grounds of St. Joseph's Hospital on June 4th, had to be transferred to the Assembly Room owing to inclement weather. But the rain dampened neither the enthusiasm nor the spirit of the crowd. It was a very delightful party and was most thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

GRADUATING CLASS FOR 1938

REVEREND :

Sister Marion Toronto
Sister M. St. Nilus Toronto
Sister M. Felicita St. John's, Nfld.

MISSSES :

Rita Odile St. Amand Chapleau, Ont.
Delia Aileen Murphy Colborne, Ont.
Helen Theresa Heffernan Athens, Ont.
Laura Emma Tobey Tara, Ont.
Thelma Leone Noecker Drayton, Ont.
Beverley Joan Rolph Welland, Ont.
Margaret Frances Thurlow Fort William, Ont.
Beatrice Heydon Alliston, Ont.
Evelyn Foster Cooper Toronto
Geraldine Mary McCarthy Ottawa, Ont.
Mary Isabelle Ennis Toronto
Lucy Marion Pallett Toronto
Margaret Madeline Burns Fredericton, N.B.
Margaret Ella McCausland Allandale, Ont.
Gladys Marie Gannon Brougham, Ont.
Bernetta Anna McLaughlin Blackville, N.B.
Rita Marie Wiggins Hamilton, Ont.
Margaret Veronica McGready Toronto
Mary Tereasa Vanpraagh Toronto
Molly Vivian McMullen Chapleau, Ont.
Lucretia Kruger Chapleau, Ont.
Mary Carmel Golan Madoc, Ont.

Elizabeth Dunn	Orillia, Ont.
Mabel Kathryn Gardner	Welland, Ont.
Catherine Loretto Miron	Orillia, Ont.
Marguerite Ruby Jeeves	Victoria, B.C.
Edith Meryle Clements	Wilkie, Sask.
Mildred Grace Brown	Toronto
Frances Catherine Maddaford	Whitby, Ont.
Kathleen Marie Byrne	Toronto
Winnifred Ann Cowan	Toronto
Dorothy Marsella Young	Peterboro, Ont.
Thressa Evaleen White	Toronto
Dorothy Margaret Baird	Toronto
Margaret Elizabeth MacDonell	Toronto
Mona Ronilla James	Toronto
Margaret Dorothy Milligan	Newmarket, Ont.
Marie Theresa Meehan	Toronto
Margaret Mary McGarrell	London, Ont.
Anna Bernadette Stephenson	Toronto
Phyllis Elinor Harding	Toronto
Marguerite Helen McKenna	Toronto
Mary Magdalen Strassel	Lockport, N.Y.
Pauline Mary Martin	Kingston, Ont.

To each and every member of the "Class of '38" we extend our heartiest congratulations and bid you welcome, fellow Alumnæ !!!

DR. JULIAN LOUDON'S GRADUATION ADDRESS

I appreciate the honour of presiding at this pleasing and important ceremony. It is obvious to me that these exercises have each year become more formal and ambitious, so that now it appears that there is little or no room for improvement.

In addition, I notice a tendency to speed up the proceedings, and this tells me that the briefer I make my remarks the more acceptable I shall be as chairman. This, however, does not mean that I shall be so brief as to simply compliment and felicitate the graduating class on arriving at this momentous day.

I feel that before speaking directly to the nurses I should take the opportunity of saying something about the marvelous growth of the hospital. Since the completion of the last link in the chain of new buildings by the erection of the central wing on Bond Street, we have all felt a growing sense of pride in being a part of an institution which may now be classed as second to none in this country.

And now let us go back to the foundation of the hospital in 1892 during the regime of that eminent personage, Archbishop Walsh. The name of St. Michael's was chosen for the new hospital because of its proximity to St. Michael's Cathedral.



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The original building, which curiously enough was the last of the old hospital buildings to be demolished to make room for the hospital buildings as we now have them, had been a hospice for orphans and young girls out of work. So that even before the foundation of St. Michael's the old building was associated with works of charity.

The first Superior of St. Michael's was Mother de Chantal, a highly cultured and charitable woman. Names which stand out prominently amongst the Sisters are those of Sister de Sales, Sister St. Felix, Sister St. Philip, Sister Columba, and Sister Attracta. A fine appreciation of Sister de Sales, under the title of "A Life of Service," appeared in the year book of the graduating class of nurses of 1932. The head nurse at the opening of the hospital was Miss Doyle.

Among the clergy who were early associated with the hospital we mention especially Monseigneur Treacy, who was Chaplain from 1893 to 1900.

The first Board of Governors consisted of Sir Frank Smith, Hugh Ryan, Eugene O'Keefe, Remy Elmsley and Mr. Justice Kelly.

Some of the doctors who formed the medical staff and did so much in the earlier days were Dr. Robert Dwyer, Dr. Edmund King, Dr. Walter McKeown, Dr. Joachim Guinane, Dr. Charles McKenna, Dr. William Oldright, Dr. J. F. Uren, Dr. Thomas McMahon, Dr. Norman Allen, Dr. Matthew Wallace, and Mr. Irving Cameron, who soon afterwards became professor of surgery in the University of Toronto.

With such an organization of earnest, clever and self-sacrificing people, all working together, it is easy now to see that something substantial must result; but I venture to say that none of the founders visualized at the beginning such an enormous expansion as has taken place in the comparatively brief space of 46 years.

I must now cease speaking of hospital history and cannot take time to mention the names of worthy and notable persons who have done much to build up the institution in more recent years.

I now wish to speak especially to the nurses to honour whom we are gathered here to-day.

This is your day, the realization of your ambitions,—the result of three years of strenuous work which at times must have involved the exercise of all your courage, faith, and patience.

But, notwithstanding all the trials and tribulations, I am sure you will look back upon your undergraduate days as among the happiest of your lives. These were the days in which you were full of life and energy and were associated with kindred and congenial spirits. You have had the delight and satisfaction of belonging to and tak-

ing part in one of the most beneficent professions the world has ever known. You will recall this day as long as you live as one of the most important. This is the day which marks the transition between the time when you have had protection and advice and the time when you will be obliged to face the world alone.

In many universities and colleges graduation day is known as commencement day for the reason that from this day you are commencing the calling or profession for which you have been prepared.

You have been given much advice as to rules of conduct, and I think it might be out of place here to attempt to recapitulate the rules which you so well know and appreciate.

I will just say this, however, medical ethics, and nursing ethics, are no different from any other ethics which conform to the tenets of Christianity and the dictation of your own conscience.

Always remember the importance of the patient. He or she should be the centre of all your thoughts and actions in the performance of your duties. Put yourself in the place of the patient, and then consider what should be done. It is just the Golden Rule over again. Hippocrates, the so-called father of medicine, stated something of the same idea when he said, "If you are to practise the art of medicine as it should be practised, you must have an affection for your fellow beings."

I know you will all do well, because you have come from the best Canadian homes and have lived in the right environment. You have the ability and the training. Your health is of the best now, and I trust it will long remain so, because poor health is the only thing that can hold you back from adding to the enviable reputation of a great institution.

In conclusion, I compliment you all on your smart and dignified appearance along with the evidence of health and beauty, and wish you all success and happiness.

THANKS !

We take this opportunity of thanking the following for their generous donations of bridge prizes :

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WE BID FAREWELL

After fourteen years of faithful service as Chaplain of the Hospital, Reverend Father Wilfred Smith was appointed Pastor of St. Patrick's Church at Phelpston, Ontario, in September. Congratulations, Father Smith. Our prayers and good wishes accompany you on your new undertaking.

And now we have a new Chaplain. May we take this opportunity of tendering felicitations to Reverend Father Leo Smyth, who comes to us from Barrie, Ontario.

HOSPITAL HAPPENINGS

We extend to Sister Mary of the Nativity our heartiest congratulations on her appointment as Sister Superior of the Hospital. We bid you welcome, Sister Superior!

CONGRATULATIONS ALSO

To Sister Zephyrinus, newly-appointed Superintendent of the Hospital.

To Sister Edna, in her own little office on the main floor of the new building. It's so nice to have you back with us again, Sister Edna.

Grace Murphy has returned to 3 D. following a course in Hospital Administration at the School of Nursing, University of Toronto.

The "I. U. A.", Interschool Undergraduates Association to you, friends, a new and startlingly progressive society formed by the undergraduates of the city of Toronto, is planning big things for the coming winter.

Their second annual graduate dinner was held on October 18th, at Eaton's Round Room. Our own Louise French entertained with her very lovely voice.

An election of officers took place at their last meeting and Miss Joan Nosteller, from St. Michael's, was elected president for the coming year. Congratulations Joan!

From September 21st to 29th two Retreats were held at the Hospital for the student nurses. The first one, for senior members of the school, was a closed Retreat.

Conducted by Reverend J. McGinn, C.S.P., these discourses proved most interesting and instructive. Father McGinn clarified many of the puzzling problems confronting young people today, and offered numerous helpful suggestions with which to begin a really active Catholic future.

Father Smith, on his departure from the Hospital, was presented with a very attractive desk lamp by the student nurses.

Series of Lectures

We take pleasure in announcing a series of lectures, which have been arranged for the first four Tuesdays of November.

All members and associate members of the Alumnæ are cordially invited to attend. The lectures will be given in the Lecture Hall of the Nurses' Residence at 8.15 p.m., and the programme is as follows:—

November 1st—Dr. K. Heard, "Anæsthesia" (with slides).

November 8th—Dr. W. Carscadden, "Surgical Emergencies, and the Advance of Surgery in the Last Twenty Years."

November 15th—Dr. H. G. Hall, "Materia Medica."

November 22—Dr. W. T. Noonan, "Obstetrics and Gynæcology."

We wish to express our appreciation and gratitude to the group of doctors mentioned above, who so generously co-operated with us by accepting our invitation to deliver these lectures.

The next quarterly meeting of the Alumnæ Association will be Tuesday, December 6, 1938. Guest speaker, Mrs. John Davidson. Current Events.

Annual Alumnæ Tea, Sunday, November 20, 1938. Assembly Hall. Silver collection. Members and their friends are invited.

PRESENTATION TO MISS CLARKSON

Members of the surgical staff gathered in the assembly room of the Hospital on June 15th for a presentation to Miss Catherine Clarkson, whose marriage to Mr. Leonard Gibbons took place the end of June.

Dr. George Wilson made the presentation of a silver tea service. He spoke of Miss Clarkson's loyalty and untiring efforts during the ten years she has been chief nurse of the operating room and of the great loss sustained by the hospital upon her leaving.

Miss Clarkson, who graduated in 1915, served two and a half years with the Canadian Army during the Great War.

Sister Jeanne received the following very interesting letter from Bea Curtis and Lily Clegg, who are at the Paddington Hospital in London, England:—

Paddington Hospital,
285 Harrow Rd., London, W. 9.

Sept. 19/38

Dear Sister Jeanne:

You will think it is about time we dropped you a line. We have often thought of you and our dear old St. Michael's. How proud we are of our training school, it is very, very much nicer than Paddington.

It would be impossible to describe how strange we found everything here, however we are becoming more accustomed to it now and have been very happy the last three months, during which time we have been on night duty.

The hospital is under the control of the London County Council. It is made up of numerous buildings surrounded by a high brick wall with one entrance to the grounds. Beside the gate is the lodge, at which one gives one's family history before going further. When the porter sees us coming he sings "The Maple Leaf Forever."

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Nurses do a great many things which our internes do at home, such as putting up Buck's Extensions, and owing to the shortage of nurses there isn't much time to give real nursing care.

During the last few days, since the European trouble has become so strained, dozens of patients are being discharged in order to get the wards empty. This hospital would be one of the main hospitals for casualties in case of war. England is certainly preparing in her own quiet way.

At first we found the days very long, going on duty at 7.15 a.m., and coming off at 9 p.m., with half-hour off morning and afternoon for TEA and half-hour off for dinner and supper and 2½ hours off duty. The eight-hour day has been passed by the Council since July 1st, but so far hasn't commenced due to the scarcity of nurses.

Night duty is much better. We work 12 hours and have two nights off a week, which gives us a good opportunity to see the places of interest in and around London.

To tell you in detail where we have been would take too long, so we will endeavour to give you a sketchy idea of our travels.

The first few weeks were spent in seeing London. As you can imagine, our first trip was to see Buckingham Palace, Big Ben, No. 10 Downing St., St. James' Palace, River Thames, Hyde Park, Westminster Abbey, Westminster Cathedral, St. Paul's Cathedral, Trafalgar Square and Piccadilly.

Another day was spent at Tower of London, Madame Tussaud's, Guild Hall, National Art Gallery. We have also been to several theatres where we have seen some good acting. It is things like this that make London so terribly interesting.

Never will we forget our first glimpse of Marble Arch and these funny double deck buses. Then again there are the quaint streets and the dozens of identical houses with their many chimney pots. The flowers are a marvel to us in their abundance and perfection.

I'm sure, even though we haven't been to many large cities, that we wouldn't find another half so fascinating as London.

Since going on night duty we have had time to venture further afield. Our first trip out of London was a delightful drive through the Surrey Hills to Aldershot Tattoo, which, as you know, is a world famous annual military event.

Another memorable day was spent at Windsor, a quaint little town with narrow crooked streets and funny lamps. The main feature, of course, is Windsor Castle high above the town overlooking

the Thames. Needless to say we were greatly impressed.

A few pleasant days have been spent at the seaside. We like Brighton the best of those visited so far.

We attended the Naval Week Display at Chatham and learned a few facts, customs and phrases of the Royal Navy. We saw aircraft carriers, battleships, destroyers, submarines, and all were on display. Until that day I'm afraid I took the Royal Navy for granted.

One of our happiest days was spent in Stratford-on-Avon. It is a beautiful little place. We visited Shakespear's birthplace, Anne Hathaway's cottage, which is set in a beautiful old fashioned flower garden, and Holy Trinity Church.

Two weeks ago we took a bus ride through Kent (saw the hop fields) to Canterbury. This is another quaint little town. The cathedral is beautiful. A guide conducted a large crowd of tourists through it. It is awesome in structure and indescribably splendid. We saw the tomb of the Black Knight, over which was hung his armour. There is so much to be told about these places that one cannot do them justice in a few phrases.

Our holidays begin September 24th, for three weeks. We have planned on a trip to Glasgow, Edinburgh, and into the Highlands, probably to Inverness.

Whether we have holidays or not depends to a great extent on the European situation. Lily is on the reserve list in Canada, so if war should come we would return home at once.

Shortly after coming to Paddington we had a series of anti-gas lectures. We had gas masks to wear and were taught how to care for them. It was very amusing then, but when war seems near one realizes what horrors these masks will prevent.

And now, dear Sister Jeanne, this letter is getting long so I will close now. We send our apologies for not having written long ago.

Please convey our best regards to the community. We are looking forward with happy anticipation to going home again.

As ever,

BEATRICE CURTIS and

LILY CLEGG.

MISS JEAN GUNN HONOURED

On September 30th, at the Royal York Hotel, a dinner, followed by a reception, was tendered Miss Jean I. Gunn by the Alumnæ Association of the Toronto General Hospital on the occasion of her twenty-fifth anniversary as Superintendent of Nurses.

Miss Gunn was presented with a thousand dollars in cash and a diamond pendant.

Miss Grace Murphy was St. Michael's Alumnæ representative.

OBITUARY

In August of this year Dr. F. J. Colling, biochemist on the staff of St. Michael's Hospital, died after a very brief illness.

Dr. F. J. Colling, son of the Reverend J. F. Colling, was born in Hagersville, Ontario, in April, 1876. He was graduated at Albert College, Belleville, and at the University of Toronto, graduating in medicine in the year 1901. After serving his internship in St. Michael's Hospital he engaged in general practice in Toronto until the outbreak of war in 1914, when he joined the Royal Army Medical Corps. Having served for four years in France and for one year in Siberia he was promoted to the rank of Major and awarded the O.B.E. After the war he resumed practice in Toronto and joined the laboratory staff at St. Michael's Hospital. In 1921 he was appointed biochemist to the Hospital and he remained in that position until his death.

Dr. Colling was of a reserved nature and his circle of intimate friends was small. His qualities were such, however, that he earned the affection and respect of all who knew him well. He had a keen brain and his clinical and laboratory work was characterized by thoroughness and accuracy. His friends knew him to be kind, unselfish, loyal and devoted to the interests of his patients and his hospital. He had a well developed sense of humor and a somewhat caustic tongue. Many of his sayings will be long remembered by his colleagues who deplore his untimely death.

To the relatives of Dr. Colling we extend our sincere sympathy.

We extend our sympathy to the following in their recent bereavements:—

The family of the Honourable R. B. Latchford, Chief Justice of Ontario.

Dr. Paul O'Sullivan, on the death of his mother.

Dr. Edward Hatkins, on the death of his mother.

Dr. and Mrs. Philip Shuman (nee Rose Hayes), on the death of their infant daughter, Mary Louise.

The relatives of Mts. Benjamin (nee Matie Alton).

Mrs. B. Holland (nee Mary Walsh), on the death of her husband.

Mrs. Terry Robert (nee Norah Gleeson), on the death of her sister, Katherine, in New York City.

Mae Brennan, on the death of her mother.

Ruth Steele, on the death of her father in Gifford, Ontario.

Bea Heydon, on the death of her father, in Alliston, Ontario.

Claire Cronin, on the death of her father.

Mrs. Leo Berthelotte (nee Eileen Regan), on the death of her father.

Marjorie Larkin, on the death of her mother.

REQUIEM MASS

The Requiem Mass for deceased members of the Alumnæ Association will be celebrated by Reverend Leo Smyth on Thursday, November 10th, at 9 a.m., in the Hospital Chapel.

ACTIVITIES OF CATHOLIC NURSES GUILD

The annual meeting of the Guild of Catholic Nurses was held in the assembly room of St. Michael's Hospital on February 28th. Miss Aileen Riordan presided. Rev. W. P. Smith, spiritual director of the Guild, opened the meeting and gave a short talk. The secretary's report included a resumé of the activities of the Guild since 1937. Formed in January of that year at the suggestion of His Grace Archbishop McGuigan, the members have striven to carry out the three-fold objective:

1. To form a parent organization of Catholic Nurses registered in the Province of Ontario;
2. To promote the spiritual and social values and opportunities in the profession of nursing;
3. To mobilize Catholic nurses for participation in Catholic action.

The attendance steadily increased and at the last meeting in 1937 one hundred and twenty-five members were present.

Twelve study groups were formed within the Guild under the convenship of Miss Ella O'Boyle. A Catholic action speaker's service with Miss Elizabeth Regan as convener, reports twenty subjects were suggested as suitable for this service, and sixteen Catholic nurses expressed their willingness to give talks to women's organizations.

An election of officers was held at the February meeting and the following members were elected: President—Miss Monica McCarthy.

1st Vice-President—Miss Margaret Kelly.

2nd Vice-President—Miss Hilda Kerr.

Recording Secretary—Miss Thetesa Huskin.

Corresponding Secretary—Miss Mary Corkery.

Treasurer—Miss Doreen Murphy.

Councillors—Misses Audrey Kearns, Aileen Tobin, Constance McCarthy, Mary Hughes, Margaret Kelman.

Program—Miss O'Neil.

Social—Mrs. W. J. Dunbar.

Christian Doctrine—Miss Ella O'Boyle.

Legislation—Miss Aileen Riordan.

Nomination—Miss Margaret Hunt.

Vigilance—Miss Katherine Hammill.

Press within the Guild—Miss Helen Heffernan.

Publicity—Miss Constance Bond.

A vote of thanks was given to Miss Aileen Riordan for her splendid work as President since the organization of the Guild. Miss Riordan was forced to resign her position due to ill-health, and the members regretted keenly this loss.

Rev. Father McGillvray, S.J., addressed the meeting on "Propaganda."

A well planned schedule has been carried out in 1938 and attendance at the meetings has continued to increase.

On March 17th the Catholic Nurses' Guild assisted the Shamrock Tag Day Committee. Misses Audrey Kearns, Mary Hughes and Irene Nealon acted as captains and supplied a team of fifty taggers.

On April 4th the general meeting was held at St. Joseph's Hospital. Rev. Father W. P. Smith talked on "Administration of The Sacraments." Dr. Edward Brooks gave a lecture on "Mental Health." Following this was a demonstration of the new oxygen tent by Mr. Day of the Wall Chemical Company.

At the May meeting Rev. Father W. P. Smith continued his instruction on "Administration of The Sacraments." Rev. Father T. O'Sullivan, C.S.S.R., spoke on "Catholic Action," and Miss Helen Heffernan spoke on "How the St. Elizabeth Visiting Nurse Teaches Why Birth Control is Wrong." From Miss Heffernan we learned of the Tonsil Clinics being operated at St. Mary's Church and The Catholic Settlement House. Supervised by the St. Elizabeth nurses, the clinics were badly in need of added nursing help. A resolution was immediately formed to aid in this work, by forming a volunteer list of nurses to assist. The resolution, in brief, is as follows: "Be it resolved, that this Guild of Catholic Nurses assume the responsibility of supplying volunteer nurses to assist the St. Elizabeth Visiting Nurses in their Health Centre Work." Each week two nurses are called upon to assist with this noble work.

On June 4th the Guild entertained at a delightful tea in honour of the graduates of Schools of Nursing in the Archdiocese of Toronto for 1938. A resolution was passed at the February meeting to make this an annual event. It was originally intended to have it in the form of a garden party in St. Joseph Hospital grounds but due to the inclemency of the weather tea was served indoors in the assembly room.

On June 12 a Holy Hour was held in St. Michael's Cathedral. Rev. Father T. O'Sullivan directed the Holy Hour and encouraged the hundred and sixty nurses present to become members of "The Eucharistic League."

The Holy Hour brought to a close the activities of the Guild for the summer months.

OVER THE COFFEE CUPS

Jean Clarke, '25, left her home in Vancouver the end of August, and is at present employed in St. Joseph's Hospital, Comox. Before leaving for the coast Jean visited for a day with Dr. and Mrs. Terry Robert (Nora Gleason) recalling old times.

Betty K. Webster, '33, now on the staff of Roosevelt Hospital, N.Y.

Marg. Murphy, '35, now Mrs. Robert Owen, of Chicago, and baby daughter, Suzanne, spent a month visiting her home in Cobourg. She also spent some time with her sister, Delia, and friends in Toronto, returning to Chicago late in August.

Mrs. Ernest Johnston (Marguerite Dwyer, '28) recently underwent an operation for appendicitis in Carthageria, Colombia, S.A. We are glad to learn she made an uneventful recovery.

And speaking of South America, Lena Lobey is at present on duty at St. Michael's and is to sail from New York very soon, with her patient, for Rio de Janeiro.

Marg Thurlow, '38, has been in Alaska for several months.

Marguerite Jeeves, grad of '38, has returned to her home in Victoria, B.C., where she is nursing.

Addie Cooney, '30, is in Medical Centre, N.Y., assistant in neurological operating room.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Murphy (Norah O'Leary, '30) have moved to Winnipeg.

Martina Flanagan, '25, is now on the staff of Medical Centre, New York City.

Yvonne Fitzgibbons, '36, is wearing a beautiful diamond. Dr. John Leddy is the lucky man. Dr. Leddy is at present in Timmins, Ont.

Margaret Nealon, '23, has received a Public Health appointment in Renfrew, Ontario.

Mary Gibson, '35, left September 27th for Montreal and at time of writing is in New York, from whence she will embark on a 17-day cruise to Havana.

Our nurses in New York:—

Melda Dixon, '36, in the operating room at the Lennox Hill Hospital.

Anna Rita MacNamara and Flo Hines, graduates of '37, both doing floor duty at the Presbyterian Hospital.

Marg Snell, '36, Flower, Fifth Avenue.

Lily Clegg, '32, and Bea Curtis, '32, have been for some months in London, England, on the staff of Paddington Hospital—to stay indefinitely.

Pat McNamara, '34, and Ruth Steele, '37, are both on the staff of Sick Children's Hospital.

Betts Marchand, '34, is taking a Public Health course.

Margaret Lovick, '37, is instructress of nurses at the Brantford General Hospital.

Janet James returned recently from a Mediterranean cruise. She visited Spain, France, Italy, Northern Africa, Switzerland and England.

Dorothy Regan, '25, employed in New York following a trip to San Francisco during the past winter. Dorothy sailed in the early spring for France and spent some time on the Riviera.

Bertha Ryan, '25, visiting her sister in Providence, Rhode Island, immediately after the hurricane and tidal wave, writes (by the light of a candle owing to lack of electricity) some very vivid details of destruction in that area.

Pauline Betson, '36, and Sally Stillman, '36, are taking a course in Public Health at the University of Toronto.

Catherine Maddaford, '38, a scholarship winner of this year, is also taking a Public Health course here this year.

Charlotte Bolt, '37, is taking a post graduate course in obstetrics at the Women's Hospital in New York.

Phyllis Harding, '38, hopes to leave for New York soon, to take a post graduate course in operating room technique at the Post Graduate Hospital.

"Better to be born lucky than rich" must be Tillie Schuett's ('32) slogan. Lucky young lady won a thousand and ninety dollars on a "daily double" at Stamford Park.

Aileen Riordan is recuperating after a very severe and painful illness. Aileen is at 180 Sunnyside Avenue and is well enough now to receive and enjoy visitors.

Celia Lytle, '32, has returned to Toronto after several months at the Women's Hospital in Detroit.

WEDDINGS TO BE

Margaret (Dolly) Owen, to Mr. Christopher Munro, on November 26th, 1938, in St. Brigid's Church, 10 a.m.

RECENT WEDDINGS

Margaret (Peg) King, '30, married to Mr. Charles Perrin Johnston.

Kay Corrigan, '28, married to Mr. Vincent McElroy at St. Michael's Cathedral in April.

Lorraine Dalton, '34, married to Mr. Carl Ansingh in Parkdale United Church in September.

Sue Hunt, '32, married to Dr. Philip Paye in Detroit in June.

Eleanor Metzler, '34, a lovely bride of early autumn, was married to Dr. Wilfred Brennan in St. Thomas Aquinas Chapel, Newman Club. September 14th was the date chosen because it was Eleanor's birthday and also her mother's.

Josephine (Jo) Schwalm, '30, was married on July 16th to Mr. John Newton. The ceremony was performed at St. Joan of Arc Church by Reverend Clement Schwalm, brother of the bride.

Audrey Dunn, '30, was married to Mr. Charles White on September 12th.

Ann Morin, '32, was married early in September to Mr. Edward Bayles. Living in Bourlamaque, Quebec.

Marion Topham, '32, married on September 3rd to Mr. Kevin Finnegan. Their wedding trip took them on a motor tour of the Southern States, spending some time in Florida, thence to Havana by plane.

Marie Spratt, '28, was married on February 19th to Mr. Wilfred Higgins at St. Mary's Church.

Catherine Clarkson, '15, was married to Mr. Leonard Gibbons at St. Helen's Church, the end of June. Living in Gilford, Ontario.

Kathrine Belair, '33, married to Mr. O'Connor at Belleville, October 7th. To live in White Plains, N.Y.

Dolores McIntaggart, '31, a popular bride of the month, married to Mr. William Hutsheon. To live in Toronto.

Katherine Jaquith, '26, married on Thanksgiving Day in London to Mr. John Redmond Wassell.

CONGRATULATIONS TO :

Dr. and Mrs. Clair Slaughter (nee Gertrude West, '25), of Cleveland, on the birth of a daughter, Elizabeth Joan.

Dr. and Mrs. Vincent Killoran (nee Lorraine Archambault), of Sandusky, Ohio, on the arrival of a sister for Paul and Anne.

Mr. and Mrs. John McQuaid (nee Camilla Corbett, '32), a son, born in September.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Snell (nee Jean Parkin, '30), at St. Michael's Hospital, on May 20 1938, a daughter, Janet Elizabeth.

Dr. and Mrs. J. Theobald (nee Sadie Pierce, '31), at St. Michael's Hospital, on July 24, 1938, a daughter.

Dr. and Mrs. Maurice O'Connor (nee Jean Davidson, '32), of Ogdensburg, N.Y., a son.

FROM OUR SCRAP BOOK

Altho' to-day your skies seem grey,

To-morrow they'll be blue;

Remember when your luck seems out

It's sure to turn, without a doubt

And dearest hopes come true.

Just do your bit and show your grit;

Refrain from vain repining,

When worries all around you loom

Remember—somewhere thru' the gloom

God's star of hope is shining.

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In August of this year, Sister M. Norine bade farewell to the Hospital where she had been Sister Superior for six years, and returned to her chosen profession of teaching.

Her sojourn at St. Michael's was surely an epochal time in the history of the Hospital. Many dreams and hopes of her predecessors materialized during Sister Norine's very eventful and most successful term of office.

Soon after her arrival, her outstanding characteristics of foresight and a keen sense of propriety was made manifest, and due to her willingness and eager desire to co-operate with every plan and suggestion that was at all practicable, much was accomplished.

The original building on Bond Street, which for many years had been inadequate, was demolished in 1936, and in 1937 the beautiful new building was completed and formally opened.

This building in itself is a masterpiece, but the crowning achievement of all is the magnificent Chapel.

"A thing of beauty is a joy forever." As long as the Chapel stands it will be, in a measure, a tribute to Sister Norine's sense of reverence and her exquisite taste.

The entire Hospital grew and flourished during Sister's regime. The Outdoor Department was enlarged and its Dental division reorganized.

In 1937 the Department of Pediatrics came into being and three rooms on 5 B. were completely and suitably equipped for children.

It was due to Sister Norine's help and encouragement that the Hospital now possesses a comfortable library which contains all the more important medical and surgical journals.

Sister Norine's talents and ability were recognized in various branches of hospitalization. In 1933 she was appointed Secretary of the Catholic Hospital Association of the United States and Canada, and in 1937 she was elected a member of the Canadian Hospital Council.

Finally, and to us very important, is the fact that she is the Honorary President of our own Alumnæ Association.

Ever kindly and gracious; never too busy to be

of assistance when we needed help in our difficulties, Sister was always most considerate and careful to avoid wounding feelings when, on occasion, she found it necessary to correct or reprove.

It is with regret that we relinquish our claim on Sister Norine. We take this opportunity of expressing our sincere gratitude and appreciation to her for all that she has done for our Alumnæ during the past six years. In closing we acknowledge quite frankly that the nurses' loss is the teachers' gain.

"GRADUATE NURSES"

Just a word in recommendation of a new and very interesting book by Leo Gregory Fink. It is exactly the type of book for which we have all been waiting. An ideal gift for Christmas or graduation; a handbook for student nurses; an excellent reference book for all professional lays.

"Graduate Nurses" presents a strong appeal to the spiritual, professional and cultural interests of nurses. It is well illustrated in art and verse and is composed of a collection of papers by outstanding authors on such subjects as:

The Philosophy of Pain;

Sterilization By Law;

Euthanasia

Artificial Birth Control;

Surgical Code for Catholic Hospitals;

and many others particularly interesting to the nursing profession. This book may be obtained at The Catholic Truth Society, 67 Bond Street. The price is \$2.25 per copy.

(We are indebted to Miss Aileen Riordan for the above review.)

ANTITHESIS

The following quaint inscription appears on an ancient slab in the Cathedral of Lubeck, in Germany:

Thus speaketh Christ our Lord to us;

Ye call Me Master, and obey Me not;

Ye call Me Light, and see Me not;

Ye call Me Way, and walk Me not;

Ye call Me Life, and desire Me not;

Ye call Me Wise, and follow Me not;

Ye call Me Fair, and love Me not;

Ye call Me Rich, and ask Me not;

Ye call Me Eternal, and seek Me not;

Ye call Me Gracious, and trust Me not;

Ye call Me Noble, and serve Me not;

Ye call Me Just, and fear Me not;

If I condemn you, blame Me not.

The omission of one or two editions of the Alumnæ News Bulletin and the delay in the appearance of this one is due to the fact that there has been a complete change of editorial staff.

